

Happy Friday everyone!

Firstly, a massive thank you to the parents and carers for supporting the sport's day today. The event ran smoothly and it was lovely to watch everyone cheering on their children. Year 5 and 6 will have theirs on Tuesday morning from 9-10. After that, we will announce the winners. Well done to the staff that were involved in organising this event as well.

Another massive thank you to the staff that supported the year 6s on their residential. They give up their time and spent time away from their families so that your children can have this experience, and it is much appreciated. The children seemed to have a great time and I am sure they slept well on Wednesday night!

A reminder that your children need to be in school everyday until the last day. We have seen a slight dip in attendance lately and I would remind you that your children's future success can be heavily influenced by their attendance. We are nearly at the end of the year before you will have 6 weeks off!

The weather looks to be getting warmer next week. If another heatwave does hit, we will get our messages to you ASAP so you can make preparations for early collections again - if we decide we need to shut early.

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Year 2 have had another fun and exciting week! We thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Sports Day and loved racing against our friends while showing great determination. We also had a fantastic time at the Rocksteady assembly and workshop, listening to the different instruments, and three of our classmates were lucky enough to perform. In Science, we carried out an investigation to find out which materials would be the most suitable and environmentally friendly to use when making plant pots next week.

This week, Year 5 have been working incredibly hard publishing their double-page spreads about their chosen Greek gods, and they have produced some fantastic work. In Maths, the children have been exploring decimal sequences, using rules to identify and continue patterns while finding missing terms. In History, they have been learning about different forms of government in Ancient Greece, comparing oligarchy and democracy, with a particular focus on Athenian democracy. Well done, Year 5, for another week of excellent learning and effort! We are looking forward to Sport's Day on Tuesday!



This week in Reception we have read the story *The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch*. We investigated different ways of keeping Mr. Grinling's lunch dry and learnt about the history of lighthouses. In maths we used the story *One is a Crab, Ten is a Snail* to help us solve mathematical problems. We very much enjoyed exploring our new boat in the outside area.

This week, year 1 enjoyed a music workshop with Rocksteady! We learnt all about different instruments and how they can make different sounds. We loved listening to the drums, keyboard, bass guitar and electric guitar! We also enjoyed our sports day where we took part in lots of different races! In maths, we began to learn about time and finding o'clock and half past on a clock. In science, we learnt about lots of different birds and in history we learnt all about the explorer Matthew Henson. Finally in DT we designed our own pencil pot ready to make next week!



This week in Sunshine Cafe we have been exploring the story "*The Scarecrows Wedding*". We enjoyed spending time outdoors, using water play to encourage exploration, shared attention, and communication. The children also took part in creative painting activities inspired by the story, exploring different colours, textures, and mark-making opportunities. Our musical communication sessions encouraged turn-taking, listening and engagement through familiar songs linked to the story. The children also enjoyed exploring a *The Scarecrows' Wedding*-themed tuff tray, filled with natural materials such as hay, leaves, sticks and small farm animals. A big well done to Zack N for his increased independence during self-care routines and continued communication using his PECS book.

Have a lovely weekend
Mr Davie
Head of School



Nursery

For children aged 3 before 31st August 2026

Limited spaces available for our nursery in
September 2026

15/30 hour funded

Additional 15 hours can be paid for if funding not
available

Application forms available in the school office or
email admissions@cherrytee-pri.essex.sch.uk



Beat the Street

We have made a reasonable start to the competition—we have moved up to 7th on the leader board—well done!

Let's make our mark on this event and show everyone what a fantastic team spirit there is at Cherry Tree when we work together to climb that leader board!

If you haven't already, please sign up. There are prizes to be won for the school and we will be giving individual prizes each week too.

****if you are registered as a nickname please let Mr Cooper (Year 6 Blue) know your username so we can see our winners****

School Dinner Menu - Week Two

6th-10th July

Monday

Sweet and Sour Chicken

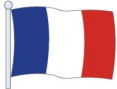
Sweet and Sour Quorn

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Cheese or Tuna Mayo Wrap

Mini Pancakes with Syrup

Tuesday FRENCH DAY



Croque Monsieur (Ham toastie)

Croque Mademoiselle (cheese toastie)

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Cheese or Ham Wraps

Gateau au yaourt (French vanilla sponge)

Wednesday

Roast Gammon

Quorn Roast

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna

Cheese or Egg Mayo Wrap

Fresh Fruit Salad

Thursday

Rustic Tomato Sauce and Pasta

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Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Cheese or Tuna Mayo Sandwich

Coconut Jam Sponge

Friday

Chicken Nuggets

Beyond Chicken Nuggets

Jacket Potato with Cheese/Beans/Tuna Mayo

Cheese or Ham Wrap

Ice Lolly

School Money

Please ensure you keep your School Money account in credit to cover any dinners booked for your child.

If your account accrues arrears of two meals (£4.80) or more your child **WILL NOT** be able to book any further school dinners and you **MUST** provide them with a packed lunch until the arrears are cleared.



Cherry Tree Weekly Attendance Table

Butterflies	97.4%
Ladybirds	87.2%
Hedgehogs	98.4%
Rabbits	88.2%
Owls	94.5%
Squirrels	90.5%
Year 3 Blue	91.9%
Year 3 Green	92.4%
Year 4 Blue	93.9%
Year 4 Green	93.0%
Year 5 Blue	85.2%
Year 5 Green	97.4%
Year 6 Blue	81.7%
Year 6 Green	94.8%

Well done to Hedgehogs in Key Stage 1 and Year 5 Green in Key Stage 2 with the highest attendance this week.

The total school attendance was 91.8 %

Let's see if we can get 100% before the 6 weeks!



Value Awards



Butterflies	Damian P	For ambition. Damian has worked hard to develop his presentation and handwriting this term. This has had an amazing impact on his writing.
Ladybirds	Lorenzo	For ambition. Lorenzo has worked hard with his reading, he is taking his time and re-reading sentences without prompting. Lorenzo is also completing reading at home which has had a positive impact on his progression.
Hedgehogs	Mohsina D	For showing ambition by focusing and trying really hard to improve at telling the time.
Rabbits	Bonnie-Lee S	For ambition—for trying hard to work independently during her writing sessions.
Owls	Denisa	Showing ambition by having a positive outlook to all her work, consistently presenting her work well and creating amazing diary entries based on Bessie Coleman's life.
Squirrels	Harper	Harper consistently shows respect by always being ready to learn and setting an excellent example for others. She is a good role model to others, demonstrating a positive attitude and showing kindness and consideration to everyone around her.
Year 3 Blue	Lucas Z	Lucas has been working exceptionally hard at improving his writing, ensuring he has all of the features. Lucas is also kind and caring to others and always checks to make sure others are ok.
Year 3 Green	Shafin A	Shafin has shown a consistent positive attitude to learning and always strives to create the best work he can. He is a role model to other children always showing excellent learning behaviours.
Year 4 Blue	India	For showing ambition towards her learning, within her lessons this week India has clearly shown progress in the effort and positive attitude towards completing her work to the best of her ability. Well done India!
Year 4 Green	Albie E	For showing the value of ambition by challenging himself in maths and becoming more confident in his abilities. Well done Albie!
Year 5 Blue	Muna	For turning his behaviour around and showing great focus in his learning this week. He has demonstrated our value of ambition by working hard, making positive choices and striving to do his very best.
Year 5 Green	Remie	For demonstrating ambition by consistently demonstrating resilience in her learning and always giving 100% effort in everything she does. Well done Remie!
Year 6 Blue	Dominykas	For showing great ambition and resilience on our residential trip, trying the Ariel Trekking even though he was extremely apprehensive at first.
Year 6 Green	Hollie-May	For ambition for creating a fantastically drawn ship as part of our production props.

Dates for your Diary 2026

Tuesday 7th July

Sports day—Year 5 & Year 6

9 - 10.15

Wednesday 8th July

EYFS Gemma's Farm

Friday 10th July

School fete and bouncy castle event 3.15pm

Monday 13th July

9.15am Pirates of the Curry Bean—Year 6

2.00pm Pirates of the Curry Bean—Year 6

Tuesday 14th July

Open Evening 3.30-5.30pm

Friday 17th July

9.15am Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

2.30pm Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Last day of Summer Term

Thursday 3rd September

Start of new academic year

Swimming Gala

Well done to all the children that took part in the Trust Swimming Gala this week.



BERLESDUNA ACADEMY TRUST – VACANCIES

FAIRHOUSE – MIDDAY ASSISTANT closing date 6th July

FELMORE – BREAKFAST CLUB ASSISTANT closing date 3rd July

For more information and to apply for any of these exciting opportunities, please follow the link to our website [Vacancies - Berlesduna Academy Trust](#)



School Uniform

You can buy uniform with our logo on from My Clothing online as well as the uniform shop.

The link for My Clothing is:

<https://myclothing.com>

FLASH SALE

15% OFF 4-8 July

Use code EARLY 15

**Ice-Lollies for
sale every
Friday after
school.**

ONLY 50P EACH



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**Bikeability Level 1, Level 1 & 2, Level 3,
Learn to ride courses and a new course
Child Bike Workshop & Learn**

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There is a £15 non-refundable booking fee





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Make a difference in your local school

- No experience needed
- Training provided



BERLESDUNA
ACADEMY TRUST

Do you want to give back to your community and help shape the future of children close to home?

We're looking for local people to join our school governing board

Interested?

We'd love to have an informal chat.

Contact: Julie Lapslie

Email: julielapslie@berlesduna.co.uk

No obligation, no interview pressure
— just a conversation.

You don't need experience in education

Just:

- An interest in children and learning
- Willingness to ask questions and share ideas
- Time to attend a few meetings each year

What does a School Governor do?

- Help set the vision and values of the school
- Support and challenge the school leadership
- Make sure pupils get the best possible education

What's involved?

- Around 3 meetings a year
- Meetings are during the day or early evening
- Full training and support provided

What's in it for you?

- Make a real impact locally
- Develop skills and confidence
- Meet like-minded people
- Something meaningful to put on your CV